HOUSE BILL 1882 By Turner M

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3; Title 4; Title 33; Title 56; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to TennCare.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE: SECTION 1.

- (a) On or before January 15, 2006, the comptroller of the treasury shall report to the select oversight committee on TennCare concerning the following items:
 - (1) The financial impact of benefit reductions in the TennCare program on hospitals, other health care providers, and enrollees;
 - (2) The effects of changes authorized in the TennCare program during2005 on provider participation in the TennCare program; and
 - (3) The fiscal impact of litigation and the related settlements and consent decrees on the TennCare program.
- (b) The comptroller shall also review the evaluation literature concerning the TennCare program and report a summary of the program's accomplishments and challenges. The report shall also assess the validity of any consultant reports concerning the TennCare program procured by the state during the year prior to the enactment of this act.
- (c) The comptroller shall make any recommendations that the comptroller deems to be appropriate.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-188(b), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the subsection: "The report shall make separate findings for TennCare Medicaid and TennCare Standard and when it becomes active for TennCare

Assist. Until TennCare Assist becomes operational, the report shall make estimates for TennCare Assist."

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-226(a), is amended by deleting item (53) in its entirety.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-231(a), is amended by adding a new item thereto, as follows:

() State TennCare pharmacy advisory committee, created by § 71-5-2401;

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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